

Arboricultural Consultant

Preston
Full-time
Permanent

The company:

Bowland Tree Consultancy Ltd. is a well-established and reputable arboricultural consultancy practice based in Preston, Lancashire, with a second office in Penrith, Cumbria. We boast an extensive portfolio of experience, servicing clients locally, regionally and nationally. We are a small yet growing business with big plans for the future, looking for the right person to join our busy team.

The role:

We are looking to recruit a qualified and experienced Arboricultural Consultant to join our team on a full-time, permanent basis. The main purpose of the role is to deliver an efficient and effective arboricultural consultancy service in a dynamic, client-focused, commercial environment. The post holder will work flexibly, independently and as part of the team.

Main duties of the role:

- To take responsibility for surveying and inspecting trees for development site assessments and for risk management purposes.
- To prepare associated reports, directly liaising with clients, agents, local planning authorities and members of the public, on behalf of the company and its clients.
- To assist in the management of junior staff, where required, dependent on experience.

The successful candidate will be:

Self-motivated, diligent, and an effective communicator, with a professional manner and a keen eye for detail; and, able to perform well in a fast-paced environment with rapidly changing priorities.

Essential criteria:

- An arboriculture qualification to a minimum of level 4
- At least 3 years' experience of surveying trees, report preparation and client liaison
- Excellent report writing skills
- Experience in the preparation of fee proposals
- A comprehensive understanding and working knowledge of all relevant arboricultural legislation and guidance, in particular the planning system and BS5837:2012
- Strong tree, pest and disease identification skills and a good understanding of tree biology and tree biomechanics
- An understanding and appreciation of project budgetary constraints and targets
- Computer and IT literate, with experience in using Microsoft Office products and, preferably, AutoCAD
- A full UK driving licence

Desirable criteria:

- Chartered arboriculturist status with the Institute of Chartered Foresters (MICFor)
- Professional membership of the Arboricultural Association (MArborA)
- LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection qualification
- Quantified Tree Risk Assessment (QTRA) licence holder

- Natural England bat survey licence (at any level) and associated experience in this field
- Experience of staff management
- Experience of project management

On offer:

A highly competitive remuneration and benefits package is on offer for the successful candidate, based on qualifications and level of experience.

The role is mainly office-based but includes regular site work. Site work is usually within a 100-mile radius of the Preston city centre office, but there are instances where travel further afield within the UK is necessary. A willingness to travel nationwide, including overnight trips, is required.

Flexible and home working requests will be considered in accordance with the Company's Flexible Working Policy.

This is an exciting opportunity to work for a small, well-established, and growing business. We offer excellent long-term prospects and we are keen to invest in your future and your professional development. The right candidate will have the opportunity to become an integral part of the business and to subsequently help shape its future growth.

Job Type:

- Full-time (37.5 hours per week)
- Permanent (subject to a six-month probationary period)

Additional pay:

- Bonus payments (dependent on performance and wholly at the discretion of the company)

Holidays:

- 28 days per annum, including public and bank holidays (pro-rata for part-time employees)
- One additional day off given for staff birthdays, entirely at the discretion of the Director
- One additional day's leave after two years' continuous service
- One additional day's leave after four years' continuous service

Benefits:

- The company will pay 2 x annual professional membership subscriptions for AA and ICF
- Ongoing training and CPD, with support and encouragement for gaining Chartered Status
- Flexible working opportunities (TOiL and homeworking as agreed and subject to workload and associated circumstances at the time)
- Access to company Group Life Insurance scheme with additional health care benefits
- Statutory workplace pension

Experience:

- Tree surveying, report preparation and client liaison: 3 years' minimum

Schedule:

- Monday to Friday, but with options for flexible working

Work remotely:

- Yes, in addition to site visits and office attendance

Salary:

- £27,000.00 - £32,000.00 per annum dependent on experience

To apply:

Please submit a detailed CV and a cover letter, that clearly describes how your skills and experience make you a suitable candidate for this job to enquiries@bowlandtreeconsultancy.co.uk.

Closing date :

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